

A REVOLUTIONARY LASS.

By Irma B. Matthews.



"ST as I am, and stop to tell a story," exclaimed grandma as she looked over her glasses at the boy and girl, who were sitting on the floor, and she looked at her feet. "Yes, please, a really, truly story," said Elizabeth. "A war story, with some 'go' in it," added Tom.

"Very well," said grandma after a few moments' thought. "I believe I can please you both."

"It was in a log house, such as the first settlers lived in, that a girl of about fifteen years of age was bending over the fireplace busily engaged in broiling slices of venison. Another girl about a year older was spreading a coarse, homespun cloth on the table and preparing it for the evening meal. "Father is late," said the girl at the fire, as she rose. "What can be keeping him?"

"News from the front that he is so anxious to hear, perchance. Poor father! it is a sore trial for him that he is unable to go to Washington's aid, and has no sons to send. If I were only a boy now!"

"Her black eyes sparkled and her cheeks grew red at the thought. "Would you go, Elizabeth?" asked the other.

"Indeed I would. I do so long to do something for our country."

"But war is dreadful," said the other and her cheeks grew pale at the very thought. "I am sure I never could go."

"There would not need, Dorothy; some one would have to stay with father, thee knows. There is a dear child, and I am sure thee loves our country as much as I."

"The mother of these girls was a Quaker and the elder often used the quaint form of speech when talking to the younger. It came from her as a sort of caress.

"Just then the door opened, and the father entered. He was a man well past seventy, with hair as white as snow. His bright eyes were not yet dim, and there was a very striking resemblance between him and his elder daughter.

"What news, father?" asked Elizabeth.

"Nothing. Nothing new, except that the English, led by the traitor, Arnold, have been raiding the country again. That is old news, but a runner just came with a fuller story."

"Elizabeth's eyes flashed fire at the mention of Arnold, for the colonists were very bitter against this man that had been false to them.

"I wish I could go," answered the father, as he took his place at the table.

"The next morning after doing the usual work Dorothy took her knitting and sat by the door, while Elizabeth brought the wheel from the corner and began to spin.

"When these are finished there will be six pairs," said Dorothy, as she held up a sock she was working on. "They will help some poor soldier next winter."

"Yes, we can help that way, and glad they will be, I am sure," answered her sister, as she started the wheel buzzing.

"A few moments later the door was darkened, and as they looked up in surprise at the breathless man that stood there he gasped out:

"The fort is attacked, and if it falls the town will be sacked," and before they could say a word he was gone.

"What shall we do?" moaned Dorothy, but Elizabeth was at work. She hastily collected what few valuables they had and made them into a small bundle. Then running a short distance from the house she hid them in the hollow of a tree.

"I do not think they will find them there," she said. "Cheer up, Dorothy, the fort has not yet fallen, and many brave and true men are behind those walls."

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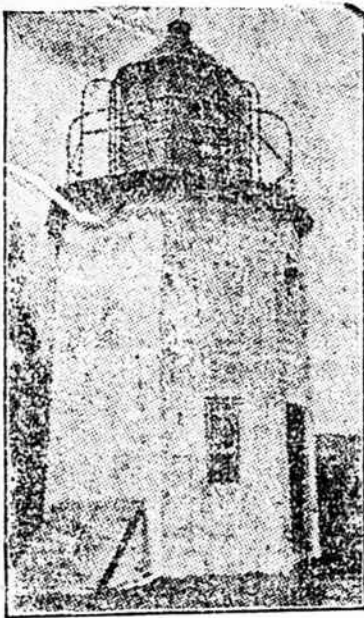
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Stony Point Light House.

"And now the lonely sentinel looks out across the water."

The blinking eye of the old light house, at Stony Point, attracts the attention of the passerby to that historical battlefield where, on July 16, 1779, General Anthony Wayne routed the British and captured that stronghold of the Hudson. This bold dash, against such odds as seemed to make it almost foolhardy, and other equally daring attacks, won for General Wayne the epithet of "Man Anthony." There are the outlines of the old breastworks still visible upon this hill, which pro-

Old Fort Putnam

When the Revolution had become a foregone conclusion the importance of fortifying the Hudson River at its narrow pass, among the Highlands was suggested to the Continental Congress by the Provincial Assembly of New York, and on the 9th of October, 1775, the former directed the latter to proceed to make such fortifications as it should deem best. In pursuance of these directions a number of forts were erected at various points. In March following it was determined to erect a strong fort at West Point, and under the direction of Kosciuszko, the famous Pole, Fort Clinton was built. To further defend Fort Clinton and command the river a strong fort was erected on Mt. Independence and called Fort Putnam in honor of General Israel Putnam, commander of the post. After the Revolution the old fort was almost destroyed by people in the neighbor-



hood using the material for building purposes, but in 1824 the Government bought the land on which it stood, and the picturesque ruins of the old fort remain to this day as one of the most attractive spots about West Point.—Four Track News.

WILL HAVE NEW FAIR BUILDINGS

Prospects Bright For the Best State Fair Ever Held.

Columbia, Special.—The "old building" at the fair ground is to come down, and out of the timbers is to be constructed a new "hall of agriculture" which will be as roomy as the so-called "new building" on the Elmwood avenue side of the grounds. The location of the hall of agriculture will be changed so that there will be plenty of room around the arena in which the crowds may circulate. Last year and the year before there was a great jam in the passage way around the arena between the two main buildings and at times persons could not get from one place to the other.

Mr. A. W. Love of Chester, the new general secretary of the fair was in the city, and went over the grounds with Mr. E. A. Guignard, member of the executive committee, and Mr. C. C. Wilson, architect. Plans for the new building have not been drawn, but the requirements of the State Agricultural and Mechanical society have been made known to the architect and he will prepare details in accordance therewith.

In addition to this new building, two large restaurants will be built, in different parts of the grounds. First-class meals will be served in these places, and there will be lodgings for the concessioners. There would be a greater number of these concessioners coming into the city from other States, but for the lack of such hotel accommodations on the grounds.

The entrance to the grounds is said to be badly located, and Mr. Love wants the street railway company to put in a side track a little further west on Elmwood avenue. This would in a measure relieve the congestion around the entrance and between the buildings on "big days." Before leaving the city yesterday afternoon, Mr. Love said: "We will have 50,000 people here this fall if the Chamber of Commerce will help us as I am sure it will. I propose to work the committee of the State with the hope that the exhibits of the county fairs will be sent to the State fair." He has other plans which will ensure new features and give new life to the fair.

Already the committee in charge are anticipating the State fair, although that festival does not occur until the late autumn. Though the fair has always been a season of enjoyment and festivity yet it is the intention this year to surpass all previous efforts in that line. There will be in the language of slang "something doing" every minute and the visitors will leave the city delighted with Columbia's hospitality.

As last year, the street carnival will be a most prominent feature of the fair. The Elks will not be behind the project as the law of that order now forbids its participation in such enterprises, but the Chamber of Commerce will take upon itself the duty of carrying out a carnival such as was had last year. The city fair association, as told in The State of last week, has dissolved and has been merged into the Chamber of Commerce.

Secretary A. W. Love of the State Fair Association has lately been in correspondence with the Chamber of Commerce and has entrusted to them a large part of the preparation necessary to make the fair an eminent success as far as Columbia is concerned. It has not yet been decided whether or not the midway on the grounds will be done away with. In the event that it is its place will be supplied by the side shows on Main street as in the last carnival. A new feature of this fair is to be a great military parade with the co-operation of Adjutant and Inspector General John D. Frost who, it is said, is thoroughly enthusiastic over the plan. In case the State encampment is secured for Columbia it is certain that the militia of the State will wish to return in the fall to attend the fair.

Of course the football game has always been a star attraction with the college men and women of the State and last year the crowd which saw Clemson defeated by Carolina was the largest ever assembled on the athletic field at the fair grounds.

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COURT GRANTED CHANGE OF VENUE

In the Case of the State Against Jas. Tillman For the Killing of Editor Gonzales, Removal is Ordered.

First Day.

Columbia, S. C., Special.—The Circuit Court, Judge D. A. Townsend presiding, Monday took up the case of James H. Tillman, charged with murder, and a motion for change of venue was heard. On January 15th Tillman, then Lieutenant Governor, shot and killed N. G. Gonzales, editor of The State, who had repeatedly denounced him when Tillman was a candidate for Governor last year. The defense produced about 300 affidavits to show that a fair trial could not be had in this county because of prejudice against the defendant. The majority of signers to these affidavits are not prominent citizens, and the principal affidavits were made by defendant's counsel and friends, who asserted that the Columbia newspapers and preachers incited feeling against Tillman by their reference to the case. The prosecution presented about four hundred affidavits in reply. Practically all the ministers of Columbia asserted that they have made no reference to the case from their pulpits, that newspaper men, including Messrs. W. E. and A. E. Gonzales, respectively editor and publisher of The State, stated in affidavits that the Columbia papers had conspicuously and carefully refrained from inflammatory denunciations of the defendant. These assertions were backed by statements from bank presidents, lawyers, physicians, college professors, merchants and men in all lines of business, including many citizens of the county outside of Columbia. The reading of these was not concluded when court adjourned for the day.

Second Day of the Trial.

The second day of the hearing for a change of venue in the case of James H. Tillman, indicted for murder, ended with the arguments only fairly begun.

Tuesday morning the prosecution presented additional affidavits alleging that a fair trial can be had in this county, these affidavits being similar to those presented yesterday. The affidavits for the prosecution number 400 or more. Then the defense introduced a number in reply, the whole number of affidavits on both sides being about 700. The defendants' attorneys read numerous articles printed in The State relating to the killing of that paper's editor, these being for the most part messages of sympathy and appreciative to Mr. N. G. Gonzales. Prayers offered for Mr. Gonzales' recovery by the Columbia ministers the Sunday before he died were also read as evidence that the preachers as well as the press had tried to stir up feeling against the defendant.

The defense desired to introduce some of Mr. Gonzales' editorials denouncing Lieutenant Governor Tillman last year, but Judge Townsend ruled that these were not competent and they were excluded.

The argument was begun at 5 o'clock p. m. by Col. George Johnston for the defense. Col. Johnstone is one of the most eloquent and resourceful lawyers of the State and he spoke for over an hour, criticizing and commenting on certain of the prosecutions' affidavits.

Court adjourned at the conclusion of his speech to meet at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning when Mr. Andrew Crawford will open for the prosecution.

There will be five hours' argument and a decision may be given in the afternoon.

The defendant was in court throughout the proceedings and participated in the several consultations of his attorneys. Neither his wife nor mother were present.

Third Day.

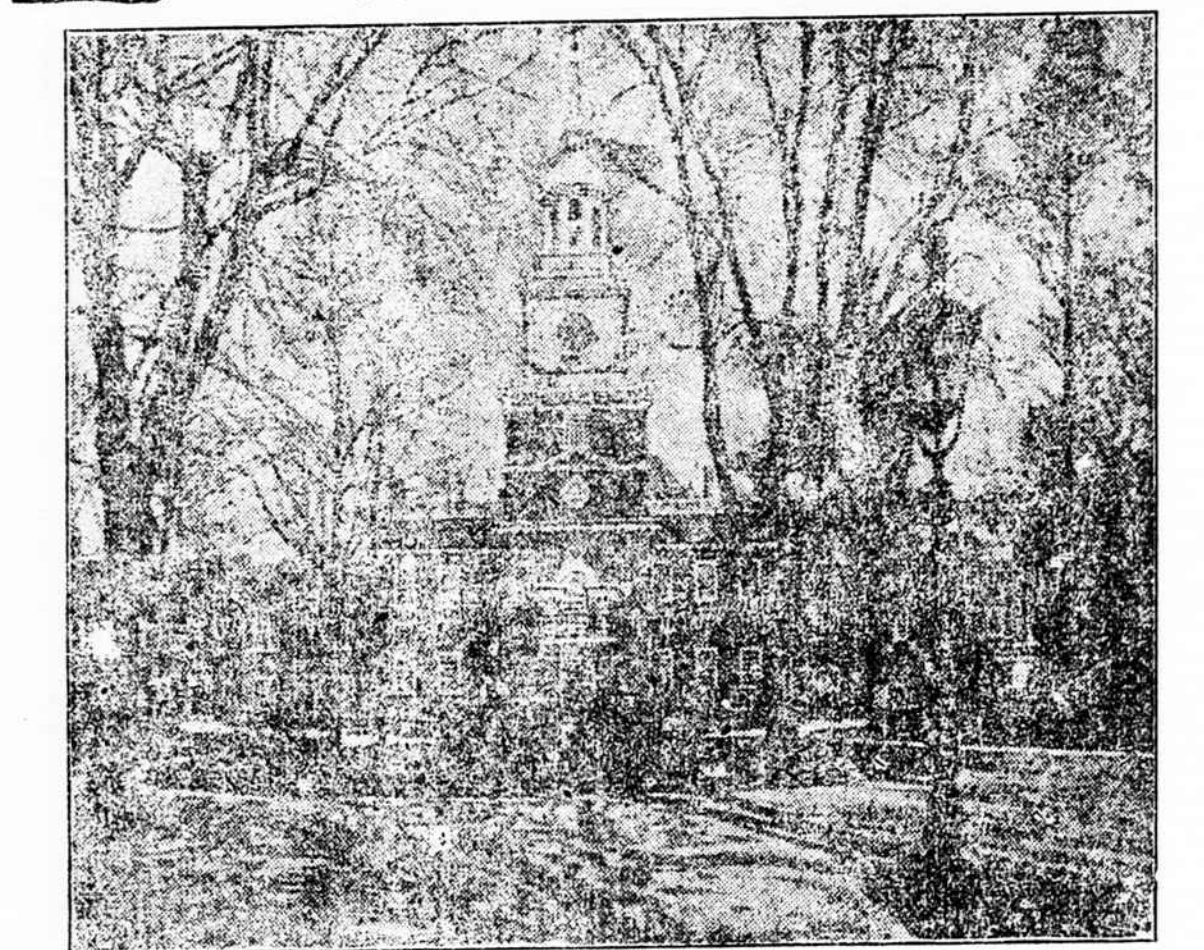
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Mr. Croft closed the argument, asserting that there were ample accommodations at Saluda and that it is not Tillman's stronghold.

Judge Townsend then instructed the attorneys to draw up an order for a change of venue and leave the court blank.

On Thursday an order was issued by the court removing the trial to Lexington county, to be held at the next regular term of the court for that county.



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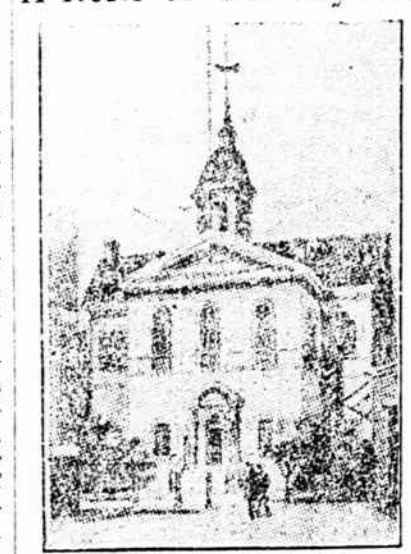
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jects its stony point into the Hudson, and as one gazes upon this bold promontory, and realizes how the charge was made from below, the fact that it was successful is almost beyond belief.

The attack was made at midnight, with General Wayne in the lead, and was considered one of the most thrilling and decisive victories of the Revolution. Sixty-three British soldiers and fifteen Americans were killed in this battle, all of the other British soldiers, with the exception of one lieutenant, being made prisoners.

On the 16th of last July, Stony Point became a State park, and thereby another credit mark was added to the society for the Preservation of Historic and Scenic Objects.—Four Track News.

A Rel'c of 'Seventy-six



CARPENTERS' HALL, PHILADELPHIA, PA. First Meeting Place of Congress.

For a Fourth of July Picnic.

The spread certainly looked very inviting, and the national colors, especially the red and white, were very much in evidence. Flagpaper napkins were used, and these were also scattered here and there over the white cloth, in place of the usual doilies. A bunch of scarlet columbine, which some had found in the woods, was placed in a blue and white pitcher in the centre, and at either side of this were baskets of red and white cherries. Stuffed tomatoes and radishes afforded the necessary bit of color, besides being very appetizing. These were offset by hard-boiled eggs wrapped in white tissue paper, and tiny balls of cottage cheese. There was, of course, the usual abundance of sandwich of many varieties, including ham, tongue, cheese and lettuce, also fried chicken, Saratoga chips, rolls, pickles, olives, and last, but not least, ice cream sent out from the city. For beverage they had delicious lemonade, which was served in true rustic fashion from a large tin pail.—Alice Carleton Wheeler, in the Woman's Home Companion.

Why Harry Wasn't Proud. Little Harry's oldest sister has just presented her husband with a new baby.

"Well, Harry," said his father, "do you feel proud of being an uncle?"

"No," replied the nephew.

"Why not?" asked his father.

"Cause I ain't no uncle; I'm an aunt. The new baby's a girl!"—New York Press.

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